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## KENTUCKY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA NEWS

A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR KENTUCKY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALISTS



## Upcoming Conferences/Events

Kentucky Council of Teachers of English/Language Arts Conference

"Literacy Matters: The Common Core and Beyond" February 17-18 Lexington Information here

## 2012 Kentucky Literacy Celebration Week

March 5-9
Information here

#### McConnell Youth Literature Conference

March 23-24 Lexington Information here



#### KSMA Fall Conference

"Kentucky Libraries – For Every Chapter of Your Life" September 20-22 Louisville Submit proposals here

#### DECONSTRUCTING LIBRARY MEDIA STANDARDS

#### What are deconstructed standards?

They are simply standards that have been broken down into learning targets that are the building blocks for students to meet a larger standard. Standards are deconstructed into learning targets that are written in language that is consistent with students' developmental levels. Students can then use learning targets to self-assess their competencies.

#### Where can I find examples of deconstructed standards?

The new English/language arts (ELA) standards have been deconstructed through the Kentucky Leadership Networks and are available on the Kentucky Department of Education's (KDE) website <a href="here">here</a>. By using the <a href="here">Crosswalk</a> of the Common Core Standards and the Standards for the 21-st Century Learner provided by the American Association of School Librarians (AASL), librarians can find standards from both areas that align. Learning targets for a particular ELA standard will have correlation to aligned library media standards.

AASL also provides examples of learning targets in its resource <u>Standards for the 21st Century Learner in Action</u>. This is a companion book to <u>Standards for the 21st Century Learner</u> (library media standards adopted by Kentucky in 2010). Learning targets are listed as "grade level benchmarks" and "sample behaviors" in the book.

Example from Standards for the 21st Century Learner in Action:

- AASL Standard 1.3.1: Respect copyright/intellectual property rights of creators and producers.
- Learning Target (sample behavior): Use quotation marks for all material taken directly from a source.

#### Can I deconstruct standards myself?

Librarians are encouraged to create learning targets from standards. The examples listed above are tools to provide guidance.

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Kentucky's <u>Continuous Instructional Improvement Technology System</u> (CIITS) continues to grow and become a more powerful tool for classroom teachers. It connects and supports the <u>Unbridled Learning</u> work in which we are all engaged.

CIITS is an integrated system that brings together implementation of new standards, engaging student learning experiences, assessments *for* learning, data-driven decision-making and differentiated instruction to meet individual student needs and maximize student learning growth and achievement. This technology platform supports highly-effective teaching and learning for every student, in every classroom throughout Kentucky.

If you haven't delved into CIITS or visited for a while, now is the time. You can access CIITS if you have a valid school e-mail address in Infinite Campus.

Go to the CIITS website at <a href="https://ciits.kyschools.us">https://ciits.kyschools.us</a> and follow the prompts to receive your login credentials. Once you log in, there are self-directed training materials and videos on the left side of the homepage to help you get started. Don't wait any longer. Give CIITS a try today!

#### **SUMMER READING 2012**

#### 2012 Summer Reading Program Themes

Early Literacy Program (new this year): Dream Big: Read!

Children's Program: Dream Big: Read!

Teen Program: Own the Night
Adult Program: Between the Covers



Look for more information in the spring issue of *Kentucky School Library Media News* about opportunities to promote and support Summer Reading Programs in your county.

Find out how your middle school and high school students can enter the **2012 Kentucky Teen Summer Reading Video Challenge** by clicking here.

Contest deadline: March 5, 2012.

"While a Lexile measure is a valuable piece of information in the book selection process, it's important to note that the Lexile measure is only one piece of information to consider when selecting a book for a specific student. Other factors, such as the content and quality of the text, and the student's interests and reading goals, should also be considered. A Lexile measure is a great starting point, but it is not intended to replace the role of an educator, librarian, or parent in helping students pick books that will support growth toward the reading demands of their future endeavors." (From: "An Inside View of Lexile Measures: An Interview with Malbert Smith III," Knowledge Quest, Vol. 39, No. 4, March/April 2011)

#### Did you know?

- Ranges of text types for students can be found in the Common Core State Standards (CCSS)
   document on pages 31 (K-5) and 57 (6-12). This can be a helpful resource when planning purchases.
- The **illustrative texts** provided in the CCSS (page 32 for grades K-5; page 58 for grades 6-12) are meant only to show individual titles that are *representative* of a wide range of topics and genres.



Dorie Raybuck and Regina Sandberg

Dorie Raybuck, East Jessamine Middle library media specialist, and Regina Sandberg, East Jessamine Middle literacy teacher, attended the 2011 American Association for School Librarians' Conference in November. They presented a session entitled "More Bang for Your Buck! How to Have Successful School/Community Programs." Dorie and Regina provided tips for successful programming, pitfalls to avoid and ways to get more teachers engaged in community events.

For information about their presentation, contact Dorie at <a href="mailto:dorie.raybuck@jessamine.kyschools.us">dorie.raybuck@jessamine.kyschools.us</a>.



Congratulations to
Cindy McNaryAtchison, Kentucky
School Media
Association's
2011Outstanding
Librarian. Cindy is the
library media
specialist at
Greathouse/Shryock
Traditional in
Jefferson County.



Congratulations to
Melissa Gardner,
Kentucky School Media
Association's 2011
Outstanding Website
Award recipient.
Melissa is the library
media specialist at
Kenton Elementary in
Kenton County. Visit
her library website here.

"Libraries need to change from places just to get stuff to places to make stuff, do stuff, and share stuff. Our libraries should not be grocery stores. We need to use those groceries, to open the boxes, pour the milk, mix the batter, make a mess."

Joyce Valenza and Doug Johnson
<u>The Future of Libraries</u>

"We shouldn't teach great books; we should teach a love of reading."

B. F. Skinner



Kentucky Bluegrass Award (KBA) tally sheets are due April 1.

Visit the <u>KBA website</u> for more information.

Celebrate NEA's Read Across America Day March 2.

Visit the <u>Read Across</u>
<u>America</u> website for more information.



#### FEATURED APPS

Ten iPad Apps Based on Classic Children's Books Click <u>here</u>.

#### **FEATURED E-BOOK**

*Goodnight iPad*By Ann Droyd
Click here for book trailer.

#### **FEATURED VIDEOS**

30 Second Thought Leadership
The American Association of
School Librarians (AASL)
presents a new video podcast
series delivering brief and
practical advice from respected
school library leaders on
important questions about school
libraries today and in the future.
Click here.

#### FEATURED WEB SITE

**Book Trailers for Readers**Spotlighting Great Books for Kids and Teens
Click here.

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#### RESOURCE HIGHLIGHTS

#### **Podcasts**

Podcast Series: Chatting About Books: Recommendations for Young Readers

Podcast Series: Text Messages: Recommendations for Adolescent Readers

**Printout**: The Nuts and Bolts of Creating Podcasts

- Example of <u>library media standard</u> supported: **3.3.4** Create products that apply to authentic, real-world contexts.
- Example of <u>ELA standard</u> supported: **SL.11-12.5** (Speaking and Listening): Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest.

#### **Sample Podcasts**

**Podcast:** Chatting About Books: Recommendations For Young Readers



Podcast: Text Messages: Recommendations For Adolescent Readers

<u>Episode 34</u>: "Vampires, Werewolves, Zombies, and More"





#### Kentucky Statutes Referencing School Media Librarians

KRS 158.102 Certified librarian required for each school; Library Media Center required for each school KRS 160.345 Section 2 (g) School media librarian consulted on the maintenance of the school library media center, including the purchase of instructional materials, information technology, and equipment

#### Did you know?

- **58 percent** of respondents to our 2011 Kentucky library survey are evaluated using an instrument specifically designed for the role of school media librarian.
- The Kentucky Department of Education provides a <u>sample school media librarian evaluation tool</u> for schools and districts to use.

#### KY School Library Media **News Archives**

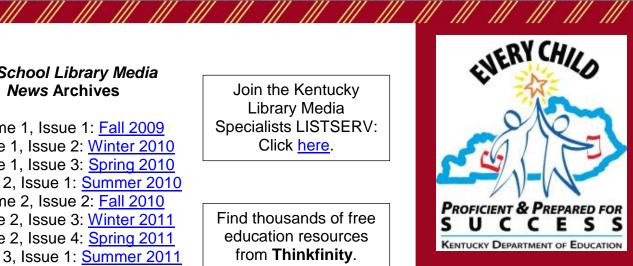
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#### **Professional Organizations**

Kentucky School Media Association (KSMA) www.kysma.org

Kentucky Library Association (KLA) www.kylibasn.org/

American Association of School Librarians (AASL) www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/aasl

> American Library Association (ALA) www.ala.org

Kentucky Reading Association (KRA) www.kyreading.org

#### **KDE Content Area Newsletters**

Arts and Humanities

Literacy Link

Science Elementary

Science Middle School

Science High School

#### Kentucky Virtual Library (KYVL)



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